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CITY COUNCIL MEETING STAFF REPORT

Date: August 24, 2010
Agenda Item:

Subject: Solid Waste Rate Adjustment 2010

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Recommendation: Council approve the attached amendment to the City solid waste franchise agreement.

Discussion: Each year pursuant to the existing franchise agreement for solid waste collection and disposal, consideration is given to a rate adjustment. The City is a member of the Yuba Sutter Waste Management Authority and through their staff and consultant work the attached staff report and evaluation report have been prepared analyzing the various factors that need to be considered related to a rate adjustment. These reports were submitted to the RWMA administrators (City Managers and County Administrators) who recommended approval of the adjustment. The matter then went to the RWMA Board (McIntosh/Coe serve from Wheatland) who subsequently also recommended approval. The issue now goes to each governing body of the RWMA for consideration.

There is a net 1% increased recommended adjustment to refuse collection rates this year. Issues related to the rate stabilization fund, diesel fuel prices, vehicle retrofit plan and diversion performance standards are outlined in the attached staff report and evaluation report. Mr. Keith Martin, the RWMA administrator and Mr. Dave Vaughn from YSDI will be in attendance at the Council meeting to answer Council questions.

Alternatives: The Council could request the RWMA staff to provide further analysis of their calculations and present options for Council consideration.

Fiscal Impact: No direct impact to the General Fund.